APPLICATION (Revised April 2008) 22ND CIRCUIT JUDICIAL COMMISSION CIRCUIT JUDGE

RESPONSE TO THESE QUESTIONS WILL BE MADE PUBLIC IF THE APPLICANT IS SELECTED AS A NOMINEE.

NAME: PAULA PERKINS BRYANT



- 1. State your present principal occupation: Associate Circuit Judge
- 2. Are you at least 30 years of age? Yes
- 3. (a) How long have you been a citizen of the United States? Since birth
 - (b) Have you been a resident of the City of St. Louis for at least one year immediately prior to the date of this application? Yes
 - (c) How long have you been a qualified voter of Missouri? Since 1977
- 4. Are you licensed to practice law in Missouri? Yes

List any other states, courts, or agencies in which you are licensed as an attorney: None

5. State the date you were admitted to the Bar in Missouri? September 1984

Missouri Bar Number: 32771

(In completing items 6 and 7, please account for all time periods between post-high school education and the date of this application.)

6. State the name and address of all colleges and universities you have attended, together with the dates and degrees received:

University of Missouri – Kansas City

1975-1977

University of Missouri - St. Louis

1978-1980 Bachelor of Science Administration of Justice

St. Louis University School of Law

1980-1983 Juris Doctoris

7. State, in chronological order, your entire working career, including non-legal employment, if any. Include the name and address of each firm, corporation, partnership, or governmental body with which you have been associated, and the dates thereof. (Start with earliest date, conclude with present.)

A) St. Mary's Health Center 6420 Clayton Rd. Clayton, MO 63117 1974-1975

B) Master Charge Collection Department Commerce Bank Kansas City, MO 64110 1976-1976

C) St. Louis Public Schools Substitute Teacher 911 Locust St. St. Louis, MO 63101 1978-1980

D) Stix, Baer & Fuller Collection Department 601 Washington Ave. St. Louis, MO 63101 1978-1979

E) Sears, Roebuck& Co. 15 Crestwood Plaza St. Louis, MO 63126 1979-1980

F) Legal Services of Eastern Missouri 625 Euclid St. Louis, MO 63108 1980-1982

G) W.A. Thomas & Co. 209 E. Kirkham Rd. St. Louis, MO 63119 1983-1984

H) Harvey & Hughes (formerly)

1984-1986

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Clay	yton,	MO	63105

I)	Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit Court 10 North Tucker Blvd.	1986-1987
	St. Louis, MO 63101	
J)	Public Defender Office	1987-1990
•	1320 Mark Street	
	St. Louis, MO 63103	
K)	Rudloff, Nelson & Kelly (formerly)	1990-1993
	6822 Olive, Ste. 200	
	St. Louis, MO 63130	
L)	Office of the Circuit Attorney	1993-2004
	1320 Market Street, Room 330	
	St. Louis, MO 63103	
M)	Associate Circuit Judge	2004-present
112)	Civil Courts Building	~
	10 N. Tucker Blvd.	
	St. Louis, MO 63101	
N)	Webster University	2005-present
	Adjunct Professor	_
	470 E. Lockwood Ave.	
	St. Louis, MO 63119-3194	
0)	Sanford Brown College	2006-present
•	Adjunct Professor	
	75 Village Square	
	Hazelwood, MO 63045	

- 8. If you are presently an associate circuit judge and have served for two years or longer, attach a list of ten significant cases over which you presided to completion. Set forth the style, cause number, date and name and current address of the primary attorneys participating in each case, identifying the party each attorney represented. Indicate whether bench or jury tried and give a one-three sentence description of each case and its outcome. See Attachment A.
 - (b) In addition, you may attach a list of cases you tried as an attorney in the last five years before becoming a judge. Set forth the style, cause number, date and jurisdiction and identify who you represented, whether you were first or second chair and the name and address of opposing counsel. State for each case whether bench or jury tried and give a one-three sentence description of each case and its outcome. See Attachment B
- 9. Are you able, with or without a reasonable accommodation, to perform the essential functions of a judge including the ability to preside over trials, perform legal research, attend court anywhere in the state, communicate clearly and effectively both orally and in writing, and expeditiously decide issues coming before the court? Yes
- 10. If you have never served as an associate circuit judge or have served for fewer than two years, attach a list of cases you have tried in the last five years. Set forth the style, cause number, date, and court, and identify who you represented, whether you were first or second chair, and the name and address of opposing counsel. Indicate for each case whether bench or jury tried and provide a one to three sentence description of each case and its outcome. If, during any of the last five years, you served as a commissioner or in any other judicial capacity, set forth the dates of same and a description of the duties performed. N/A
- Have you briefed or argued any case in an appellate court? **No**If yes, attach a list showing the citation for each case and describe the extent of your participation in briefing and arguing the case.
- 12. Set forth any additional information that demonstrates the quality of your legal work as an attorney.

Team leader in the Circuit Attorney's Office Director of the Internship Program for the Circuit Attorney's Office Director of Minority Recruitment Program, Circuit Attorney's Office Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis' Mentor Program Mound City Bar Association's Mentor Program

13. Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony? No

If yes, provide details, including the style of the case, cause number, name of the jurisdiction, and date of conviction:

14. Have you ever been sued by a client or been a party to any other litigation, other than as guardian ad litem, plaintiff ad litem or defendant ad litem? **No**

If yes, provide details, including the style of the case, cause number, name of the jurisdiction and the approximate year in which such litigation was commenced and in which it was terminated:

15. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for breach of ethics or professional conduct by a court or by any bar association or committee thereof? No

If yes, provide details:

16. Have you ever been held in contempt of court? No

If yes, provide details:

- 17. If you are or were a member of the Judiciary of the State of Missouri, please state:
 - (a) Whether an order of reprimand, removal, retirement, suspension or other disciplinary action has ever been entered against you by the Supreme Court of Missouri for breach of the Code of Judicial Conduct or the Canons of Judicial Conduct? No If yes, state the nature of such breach, the date discipline was imposed and the exact nature and duration of the discipline imposed:
 - (b) Whether a reprimand or admonishment has ever been entered against you by the Commission on Retirement, Removal and Discipline for any of the causes specified in Rule 12.07 of the Supreme Court Rules Governing the Judiciary. **No**
 - If yes, provide details including date the order was entered, the date of your consent, and a description of the conduct you were ordered to cease and desist:
 - (c) Whether, to your knowledge, you have been a subject of a complaint and investigation by the Commission on Retirement, Removal and Discipline, which did not result in any action by the Commission? **No** If yes, provide details:
- 18. To your knowledge, have you been investigated by a court or by any bar association or committee thereof for breach of ethics or professional conduct? No

If yes, provide details:

19. List all bar associations and other professional societies, of which you are a member, with any offices held and dates:

Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Judges Missouri Bar Association Mound City Bar Association Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis Lawyers Association of St. Louis Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity

20. Describe your community activities, including any organizations, not listed above, with which you are affiliated:

The Breakfast Club – A breast cancer support and awareness organization Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
Role Model – City of St. Louis Schools
Member of the Catholic Church

Do you now hold or have you ever held any elective or appointive public office or position?
 Yes
 If yes, provide details: My current position of Associate Circuit Judge

- 22. Provide the branches and dates of (a) military service, or (b) other public service, not otherwise covered in this application. If discharged from the military, was the discharge other than honorable? N/A If military service continues, so state:
- 23. List any professional articles or books which have been published or any special recognition or award of a professional nature which you have received:

Black Law Student Association Reports - Associate Editor	1981-1983
Sentinel Charities, Inc. Service Award	1996
Trailblazer University of Missouri, St. Louis	2004
Honorable Mention – Homicide Unit SLPD	1998
Outstanding Trial Attorney, St. Louis Circuit	
Attorney's Office	March 2004
Honoring Women of the Judiciary, Women Law Students'	
Association of St. Louis University School of Law	March 2005

24. Furnish the names and addresses, including zip codes and telephone numbers of not more than five persons, who are not judges, as references with respect to your judicial qualifications:

Terence Niehoff Attorney at Law 2734 Lafayette St. Louis, MO 63104 (314) 772-9494 Michele G. McMahon Attorney at Law 4386 Lindell St. Louis, MO 63108 (314) 533-7800

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James Robinson Attorney at Law 215 Chesterfield Business Parkway Chesterfield, MO 63005 (636) 530-9199

David Charles Stokely Attorney at Law 4387 Laclede St. Louis, MO 63108 314-531-1333

25. State any additional data you deem relevant: Presentations:

Missouri Bar Association, "Experts and Hearsay: What Every Trial Lawyer Must Know", Moderator, November 2000
Mound City Bar Association, Criminal Law CLE Presenter, April 2000
Public Law Interest Seminar, St. Louis University School of Law, Speaker, 1997-2000
Law and Society Class, St. Louis University, Speaker, 1999-present
Criminal Law Class, Webster University, Speaker, January 2000, March 2001

By my signature to this application, I authorize: (1) the Commission by its chairperson to obtain relevant information, including but not limited to documents, records and files with respect to my medical, police or disciplinary records, and (2) the Commission and its members to obtain additional relevant information regarding my qualifications as well as the accuracy of my responses to the questions on this application, with the understanding that the information described in (1) and (2) above is available only to the members of the Twenty-Second Circuit Judicial Commission.

Notwithstanding the above, in accordance with Supreme Court Rule 10, as amended effective February 29, 2008, if I am one of the three nominees listed on the certificate of nomination sent to the Governor, I authorize the Commission to send a complete copy of this application to the Governor and publicly release a copy of the application with personal and confidential information redacted as identified on the cover page of this application.

I hereby certify that all my statements as made above are correct, and that if I am appointed to the office of Circuit Judge of the Circuit Court of the City of St. Louis, I will accept the appointment, qualify, and promptly enter upon the performance of the duties of that office.

ipril 18, 2011

DATE

SIGNED:

PAULA PERKINS BRYANT

Biography: Born in St. Louis, Missouri. Graduate of the University of Missouri-St. Louis, B.S. 1981; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D. 1983. Currently an adjunct professor for Webster University and Sanford Brown College. Assistant Circuit Attorney, 1993-2004; where I was assigned to the Specialized Homicide Unit, later promoted to a Team Leader position and received the Outstanding Trial Attorney award in 2004. Engaged in private practice in St. Louis, 1991-1993. Assistant Public Defender from 1987-1991, staff attorney for the 22nd Judicial Circuit Court. I am active with several bar associations, a member of the Catholic Church, and affiliated with other community and educational organizations. Married with two children. Appointed Associate Circuit Judge 2004 and retained in 2010.

Question 8 Attachment A

State of Missouri v. Abdurahman Mohamed

22029-01084 22049-05641A December 2, 2010 Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for Plaintiff

Kristen Skelly

Assistant Circuit Attorney 1114 Market, 4th floor St. Louis, Mo 63101

Attorney for Defendant

Raymond Bolourtchi

Cofman & Bolourtchi, LLC 8866 Ladue Road, Suite 250

St. Louis, MO 63124

Parties appeared to argue defendant's motion to set aside guilty pleas from 2002 and 2005, pursuant to Rule 29.07 (d). Defendant claimed that his pleas of guilty should be set aside because they were not voluntary and knowingly made due to the fact he was not advised of the possible immigration consequences of his pleas of guilty along with advisories set forth under the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. The case involved discussion of Padilla v. Commonwealth of Kentucky, 559 U.S. , 130 S. Ct. 1473 (2010) and whether it could be applied retroactively under the procedural posture of the case at bar. Ultimately, the motion was denied on the basis the Court lacked authority to grant the relief requested.

Linda Binns v. Front Door, LLC d/b/a Lindell Towers

0622-AC-07753 June 12, 2007

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for Plaintiff:

Joseph V. Neill

5201 Hampton Ave. St. Louis, MO 63109

Attorney for Defendant:

David P. Hart

3701 Lindell

St. Louis, MO 63108

Bench trial

Plaintiff sued for money paid to defendant on behalf of her son. Defendant claimed plaintiff's son damaged their property and was threatening to file criminal charges and alert St. Louis University, where he was a student. Plaintiff paid immediately as demanded. Investigation revealed her son was not the person who caused the damage, Front Door refused to refund the money. Court ruled in favor of Plaintiff.

Stuart Goldenberg, P.C. v. Timothy Russo

0622-AC02479

April 16, 2007

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for Plaintiff:

Jack R. Itzkowitz

1001 Craig Rd.

St. Louis, MO 63146

Attorney for Defendant:

J. Richard McEachern 7923 Big Bend Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63119

Bench trial

Plaintiff sued his client for services rendered in a dissolution matter. Client refused to pay upon completion of the case because the bill was too high. Court ruled in favor of Plaintiff.

Jade Lucas v. Isaiah Wilhelm

0622-AC-08219 July 19, 2007

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for Plaintiff:

Elizabeth J. Stuart

6100 South Grand St. Louis, MO 63111

Attorney for Defendant:

Gregory N. Smith

1010 Market Street, Ste. 1720

St. Louis, MO 63101

Bench trial

Plaintiff sued for monies owed that she claimed she spend from her own account on behalf of the plaintiff's children. Defendant denied authorization and amounts. No contract in place.

Court found in favor of Defendant.

Progressive Northwestern Insurance Company, as subrogee of Helen Brown, an individual v. Michael A. Lawson, and City of St. Louis

0622-CC-06473 October 18, 2007 Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for Plaintiff:

Randall D. Gray

7700 Bonhomme, 7th Floor

St. Louis, MO 63105

Attorneys for Defendant:

Molly A. McBride

1015 Locust St., Suite 500 St. Louis, MO 63101

Christine L. Hodzic City Hall, Room 314 St. Louis, MO 63103

Bench trial

Plaintiff insurance company sued to recover damages for a car accident.

Defendant cross-claimed the city claiming light malfunctioned.

Court found in favor of Plaintiff and denies Defendant's cross-claim.

Christopher Parker v. Emily Markel

0722-AC-07137

November 20, 2007

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for Plaintiff:

Emily E. Kahn

1420 Straussner Drive

St. Louis, MO 63144

Attorney for Defendant:

Donald E. Murano

3801 Connecticut Street St. Louis, MO 63116

Bench trial

Plaintiff sued for breach of lease and damages to the premises.

Court found in favor of Plaintiff.

State of Missouri v. Ronald Stiles

22049-008142

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for State:

Jason Steinmeyer

Assistant Circuit Attorney

1114 Market St.

St. Louis, MO 63101

Attorney for Defendant:

Kelly Jager

Assistant Public Defender

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury trial

Defendant charged with trespass of a store in downtown, City. Defendant had

mental issues and refused to leave the front of the store.

Jury verdict guilty

State of Missouri v. Marquis Moore

22049-07661 May 15, 2006

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for State:

Alison Vunkannon

Assistant Circuit Attorney

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Attorney for Defendant:

Kelly Jager

Assistant Public Defender

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury trial

Defendant was accused of trespass after visiting his girlfriend in the apartment complex. However, Defendant was never told he was not allowed on the property.

Jury verdict not guilty.

State of Missouri v. Stacey T. Straughter

22029-04810

October 24, 2006

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for State:

Erin Cobb

Assistant Circuit Attorney

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Attorney for Defendant:

Julia Peterson

Assistant Public Defender

1114 Market St. St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury trial

Defendant was charged with tampering after she bypassed service lines and spliced service lines from other meters.

State of Missouri v. Dandre Lavon Miles

22069-01327 June 14, 2006

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for State:

Erin M. Cobb

Assistant Circuit Attorney

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Attorney for Defendant:

Chris Faerber

Assistant Public Defender

1114 Market St.

St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury trial

Defendant was charged with assault after allegedly striking and spraying the victim with mace.

Jury found Defendant not guilty.

State of Missouri v. Marlo Boyd

22059-02513 March 3, 2006

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for State:

Alison Vunkannon

Assistant Circuit Attorney

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Attorney for Defendant:

Ryan James Cornell

Assistant Public Defender

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury trial

Defendant charged with animal abuse after slamming a puppy against a curb during an argument with his girlfriend.

State of Missouri v. Carmen Hill

22059-027291 March 6, 2006

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for State:

Kimberly Gardiner

Assistant Circuit Attorney

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Attorney for Defendant:

Ryan Cornell

Assistant Public Defender

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury trial

Defendant was charged with assault after being accused of striking the victim during an argument.

Jury found Defendant not guilty.

State of Missouri v. Todd Williamson

22059-03646 June 7, 2006 Judge Paula P. Bryant

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for State:

Berlin Madison

Assistant Circuit Attorney

1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Attorney for Defendant:

Eric V. Barnhardt 818 Lafayette Ave.

St. Louis, MO 63104

Jury trial

Defendant charged with assault after striking victim when the victim refused to let his truck remain on the trucking lot.

State of Missouri v. Marlon Graves

22069-02504

September 20, 2006

Judge Paula P. Bryant, Presiding

Attorney for State:

Berlin Madison

Assistant Circuit Attorney

1114 Market St.

St. Louis, MO 63101

Attorney for Defendant:

Mike Noble

Assistant Public Defender

1114 Market St.

St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury trial

Defendant charged with possession of marijuana. The case was tried on the theory of constructive possession.

QUESTION 8(b) Attachment B

1. State v. Kenneth Webb

031-685

November 2003

Division 18, City of St. Louis, Judge Robert H. Dierker

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Susan Eckles

Public Defenders Office 1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with two counts of assault in the first degree, two counts of armed criminal action, class A felony of unlawful use of a weapon: shooting from a motor vehicle and leaving the scene of a shooting. Police officers noticed a white Cadillac violate a red stop light. When the officers tried to curb the vehicle the defendant began to shot through the rear window of the Cadillac with a SKS assault rifle. Once the vehicle stopped the occupants ran. When the officers tried to exit the vehicle the defendant began to fire more shots from the SKS assault rifle injuring officer Knese.

Jury returned verdicts of guilty on all counts.

2. State v. Jermaine Anderson

021-2469

October 2003

Division 19, City of St. Louis, Judge Jimmie Edwards

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant Opposing Counsel: Richard Fredman

The Chase Park Plaza Tenth Floor, Suite 1021 212 N. Kingshighway St, Louis, MO 63108

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with six counts of Assault 1st Degree and six counts of Armed Criminal Action.

Victims were standing in front of their residence when the defendant approached and began to fire his gun at the crowd. Only two victims were able to make identifications.

Jury returned verdicts of not guilty.

3. State v. Johnny Hampton

021-759

July 2003

Division 12, City of St. Louis, Judge Dennis M. Schaumann

Assistant Circuit Attorney's: Gary Lauber (1st chair)

Paula P. Bryant (2nd chair)

Opposing Counsel: Eric Barnhart

Public Defenders Office 1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Possession of Cocaine Base and Unlawful Use of a Weapon.

Police executed a search warrant and found defendant in possession of cocaine base and also sitting on a weapon. Since the residence belonged to someone else, the defendant was trying to conceal the weapon while inside the house. Jury returned verdicts of guilty.

4. State v. Darius Guyton

021-1267

June 2003

Division 18, City of St. Louis, Judge Robert H. Dierker

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Robert Steele

Public Defenders Office 1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant had gotten into a fight earlier in the day. Victim and defendant were friends, however when the victim did not help during the fight, the defendant became angry and an argument took place. During this argument the defendant shot his friend.

Jury returned verdicts of guilty.

5. State v. Hyshoil Eastling and Gregory Eastling

021-1340 A-B

March 2003

Division 10, City of St. Louis, Judge Phillip Heagney

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsels: Steven Lewis

Public Defenders Office 1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101 Terry Niehoff 2734 Lafayette St. Louis, MO 63104

Jury Trial

Defendant charged with Murder 1stDegree, Assault 1st, two counts of Armed Criminal

Action. Victim had been terrorizing people in the neighborhood earlier in the day. Later the victim felt the defendants had stolen his drugs from his car, so he kicked in their house and threatened the defendants' family members. The defendants saw the victim later in the night and shot him. Jury returned verdicts of not guilty on all counts.

6. State v. Eugene Jones

011-1939A February 2003

Division 11, City of St. Louis, Judge Robert H. Dierker

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: Michael Meyers

Public Defenders Office 1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Robbery 1st and Armed Criminal Action. Victim was waiting in her vehicle on a gas station parking lot when defendant approached her displayed a gun and forced her to open her car door and put the gun to her head and demanded money. Defendant got her money and fled the scene.

Jury returned verdicts of guilty.

7. State v. Jason Jamison

011-4747

January 2003

Division 11, City of St. Louis, Judge Donald L. McCullin

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: Talet Bashir

Public Defenders Office 1114 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant was beaten one-day prior to the murder for some unrelated reason. The next day defendant saw two people who he believed were present when he was beaten. Defendant confronted them and an argument ensued, the defendant shot one victim in the head.

Jury returned guilty verdicts of Murder in the Second Degree and Armed Criminal Action.

8. State v. Jason Jamison

011-4747

October 2002

Division 17, City of St. Louis, Judge Julian Bush

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Talet Bashier

Public Defender – City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant was beaten one-day prior to the murder for some unrelated reason. The next day defendant saw two people who he believed were present when he was beaten. Defendant confronted them and an argument ensued, the defendant shot one victim in the head.

Jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict.

9. State v. Larry Catchings

011-1507

October 2002

Division 13, City of St. Louis, Judge Michael Calvin

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Sara Serot

Public Defender – St. Louis County 100 S. Central, Clayton, MO 63105

Jury Trial

Defendant charged with Robbery 1st, Kidnapping, and Possession of Marijuana under 35 grams. Defendant and his partner decided to kidnap and rob the victim. When victim realized they were going to kill him, he jumped from the moving vehicle.

Jury returned verdict of guilty.

State v. Charles Anderson 10.

011-1902

May 2002

Division 22, City of St. Louis, Judge Steve Ohmer

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Michael Meyers

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Assault 1st, Armed Criminal Action, and Unlawful Use of a Weapon - Exhibiting. Defendant believed someone stole his gun. Defendant confronted several people in front of a house and decided to shoot the victim sixteen times.

Jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict.

State v. Hugh Graves 11.

001-1523

January 2002

Division 4, City of St. Louis, Judge Robert Dierker

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant Opposing Counsel:

Stephen Reynolds

Public Defender - City of St. Louis (former) 1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

The defendant was charged with Assault 1st and Armed Criminal Action. Victims and his friends went to a club. Upon exiting the club the defendant tried to leave the club with open liquor in a beer bottle. The owners wound not let him leave, thus defendant held up the exit line. Several people began to complain. Once outside, defendant approached victim about his statements and shot the victim three (3) times.

Jury returned verdicts of guilty.

State v. Shane Haberman 12.

001-2607

December 2001

Division 5, City of St. Louis, Judge Jimmie Edwards

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Kim Fretter

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with one count of Assault 1st and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant got into a fight at a local bar and cut the victim's throat from

Jury found the defendant guilty of Assault 2nd.

State v. Jerrod Corley 13.

001-1226

November 2001

Division 6, City of St. Louis, Judge Evelyn Baker

1st Chair - Assistant Circuit Attorney

2nd Chair: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

LaRhonda Burse

4144 Lindell, St. Louis, MO 63108

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with one count of Unlawful Use of a Weapon. Defendant was spotted by police hiding what they believed to be a weapon under the seat. Jury found defendant not guilty.

State v. Demetrius Mims 14.

991-3895

July 2001

Division 17, City of St. Louis, Judge Patricia Cohen

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant Peggy Hardge Harris Opposing Counsel:

6822 Olive Street, St. Louis, MO 63130

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with one count of Robbery 1st and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant and his girlfriend carjacked the victim as he was taking groceries out of his vehicle.

Jury returned verdicts of guilty.

15. State v. Byron Carter

011-3661

June 2001

Division 21, City of St. Louis, Judge Phillip Heagney

1st Chair - Assistant Circuit Attorney

2nd Chair: Paula P. Bryant as Team Leader Opposing Counsel: Amy Dearncombe

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with one count of Unlawful Use of Weapon. Defendant was stopped after being noticed on a closed store lot. Officers conducted a search and found a loaded weapon in defendant's vehicle.

Jury returned a verdict of guilty.

16. State v. Laterence Thigpen

991-4056

February 2001

Division 21, City of St. Louis, Judge Phillip Haegney

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Nellie Ribaudo

Public Defender – City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Count I: Murder 1st Degree[;] Count II: Armed Criminal Action; Count III: Assault 1st; Count IV: Armed Criminal Action. Defendant shot two people during a drug deal. One person was killed and another one was injured.

Jury found defendant guilty as charged.

17. State v. Antwone Williams

001-0336

January 2001

Division 17, City of St. Louis, Judge Patricia Cohen

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: \

Valerie Held

Public Defender – St. Charles County 200 N. Second, St. Charles, MO 63301

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Count I: Murder 1st Degree; Count II: Armed Criminal Action; and Count III: Burglary 1st. Defendant decided to shoot the victim after his fellow gang member requested his help during an argument. Jury was hung on Counts I and II and found the defendant guilty on Count III.

18. State v. Darwyn Strong

001-3955

January 2001

Division 6, City of St. Louis, Judge Evelyn Baker

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paul P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: Je

Jeffery Tisoto

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Count I: Murder 1st Degree; Count II: Armed Criminal Action; Count III: Robbery 1st; Court IV: Armed Criminal Action; Count V: Assault 1st; and Count VI: Armed Criminal Action. Defendant entered a Chinese food place to rob and killed the owner and shot at his wife. Jury found defendant guilty as charged.

19. State v. Alarsha Howard

99104055A

December 2000

Division 17, City of St. Louis, Judge Julian Bush Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Brad Kessler

8000 Bonhomme, Suite 112, Clayton, MO 63105

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Count I: Murder 1st and Count II: Armed Criminal Action. Defendant shot the victim after leaving a dance club over a drug debt. Jury found defendant not guilty.

20. State v. Christopher Starks

991-4030

October 2000

Division 21, City of St. Louis, Judge Phillip Haegney

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paul P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: Paul Yarns

Office of the State Public Defender

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Jury Trial

Defendant along with another were charged with Count 1: Murder 1st Degree; Count II: Armed Criminal Action; Count III: Robbery 1st Degree; Count IV: Armed Criminal Action; Count V: Assault 1st; and Count VI: Armed Criminal Action. Defendant and his friend decided to hold up a Chinese food place. This defendant would patronize this place almost every day. Defendant entered the place with his friend and killed the owner and shot at his wife. Jury found defendant guilty of Murder 2nd Degree and all other counts as charged.

21. State v. Willie James Crenshaw

001-2003

July 2000

Division 23, City of St. Louis, Judge Joan Burger Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Terence Niehoff

2734 Lafayette, Clayton, MO 63105

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Count I: Murder 1st Degree; Count III: Forcible Rape; and Count IV: Sodomy. Defendant sodomized, raped and killed his fourteen-year-old stepdaughter.

The jury found defendant guilty as charged.

Judge gave a directed verdict in regard to Count II: Armed Criminal Action. The Court determined that hands are not a dangerous instrument.

22. State v. James Williams

991-0205

April 2000

Division 23, City of St. Louis, Judge Joan Burger Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Lynn Ruess

Public Defender – City of St. Louis (former) 1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree, two counts of Armed Criminal Action, and Assault 1st Degree. Defendant shot two people killing one of the victims and wounding the other over a past drug debt. The jury found defendant guilty as charged.

23. State v. Travis Like

981-2012A January 2000 Division 17, City of St. Louis, Judge Julian Busch

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: Je

Jeffery Estes

Public Defender – St. Louis County 100 So. Central, Clayton, MO 63105

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree, four counts of Armed Criminal Action and three counts of Assault 1st Degree. Defendant was a passenger in a truck of a drive-by and fired his weapon.

The jury found defendant guilty as charged.

24. State v. Ruben Harold

981-2012B

November 1999

Division 18, City of St. Louis, Judge Michael David

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

David Bruns

Special Public Defender – City of St. Louis 1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree, four counts of Armed Criminal Action, and three counts of Assault 1st Degree. Defendant and others decided to do a drive-by of what they believed were rival gang members. Mr. Harold was armed with an AKA-47 assault rifle. They drove by a crowd of people and fired their weapons, killing a six-year-old child.

The jury found the defendant guilty.

25. State v. Michael Randolph

981-2212

October 1999

Division 5, City of St. Louis, Judge Jimmie Edwards

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: Robert Lundt

Public Defender – City of St. Louis (former) 1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Assault 1st Degree and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant shot the victim because a girl he liked was fond of the victim. The jury found the defendant guilty.

26. State v. Cleveland Jackson (A)

State v. Antwan King (C)

971-2699 A & C

May 1999

State recommendation: Death

Division 17, City of St. Louis, Judge Michael Calvin

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: (A)

Beth Davis-Kerry (lead attorney) Capital Public Defender Office

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(B) Valerie Leftwich (lead attorney)

Capital Public Defender Office

Columbia, MO 65203

Defendants were charged with two counts of Murder 1st Degree, three counts of Armed Criminal Action, one count of Robbery 1st Degree, and one count of Assault 1st Degree. Defendants decided to rob a dope dealer at his home. Around 11:00 p.m. they kicked in the apartment and executed two people, one who was five months pregnant. They then tried to kill the ten-year-old daughter; however, the mother covered the child with her body. The jury found the defendants guilty and assessed life without probation or parole.

27. State v. Deondre Jiles

971-3160

December 1998

Division 6, City of St. Louis, Judge Evelyn Baker

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Jerry Tanner

818 Lafayette, St. Louis, MO 63104

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant shot and killed the victim after an argument.

The jury found defendant guilty of Murder 2nd Degree and Armed Criminal

Action.

28. State v. Antwann Johnson

971-3036

November 1998

Division 11, City of St. Louis, Judge Floyd McBride

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Talet Bashier Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant killed a man after the victim's friend made remarks to the defendant's girlfriend.

The jury found defendant guilty.

State v. Anthony Cooper (B) 29.

State v. James Howard (F)

State v. Ceddrick Franklin (E)

971-4189 B, F, E

August 1998

Division 22, City of St. Louis, Judge Henry Autrey

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

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David Bruns (F)

Special Public Defender - City of St. Louis

(former)

Doug Hartig (E)

Public Defender - St. Louis County (former) (F)

100 So. Central, Clayton, MO 63105

Jury Trial

Defendants were charged with Murder 1st Degree, four counts of Armed Criminal Action, two counts of Robbery 1st Degree, two counts of Burglary 1st Degree, one count of Assault 1st Degree, and two counts of Forcible Sodomy. Defendants and two other defendants decided they were going to rob a dope dealer. The defendants broke into an apartment and tortured the family inside. They soon realized that they were in the wrong apartment and went next door to torture and murder those people inside that apartment.

The jury found the defendants guilty.

State v. Leon Moore 30.

971-2428

July 1998

Division 5, City of St. Louis, Judge Jimmie Edwards

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Terence Niehoff

2734 Lafayette, St. Louis, MO 63104

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree, Armed Criminal Action, and Resisting Arrest. Defendant killed a man whom he believed was threatening his cousin.

The jury found defendant guilty of resisting arrest.

31. State v. Jerry McCrary

971-2236

June 1998

Division 11, City of St. Louis, Judge Floyd McBride

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Talet Bashier

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant shot and killed a woman because he thought she stole his crack cocaine.

The jury found the defendant guilty.

32. State v. Melvin Hill

971-1668

May 1998 – Hung jury

August 1998- Hung jury

October 1998

Division 22, City of St. Louis, Judge Henry Autrey

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Terence Niehoff

2734 Lafayette, St. Louis, MO 63104

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant killed a man at a party over a dice game. Defendant claimed self-defense.

The jury could not reach a verdict.

33. State v. Sherron Wilson

971-2527 March 1998

Division 11, City of St. Louis, Judge Floyd McBride

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Joel Schwartz

7700 Bonhomme, Suite 400, Clayton, MO 63105

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with two counts of Murder 1st Degree, three counts of Armed Criminal Action, and one count of Assault 1st Degree. The fifteen-year-old defendant killed two brothers at a card game because he believed they owed him ten dollars for marijuana.

The jury found defendant guilty.

34. State v. Steven Murphy

971-0668A

February 1998

Division 19, City of St. Louis, Judge Timothy Wilson

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Talet Bashier

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Robbery 1st Degree, four counts of Felonious Restraint, and one count Assault 3rd Degree. Defendant car-jacked a jeep with four children inside.

The jury found defendant guilty.

35. State v. Carlos Saddler

971-0141

January 1998

Division 11, City of St. Louis, Judge Floyd McBride

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: Eric Selig

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Murder 1st Degree and Armed Criminal Action. Defendant shot and killed a teenager because the victim said negative comment about being in a gang.

The jury found defendant guilty.

State v. Douglas Jackson 36.

961-4451

October 1997

Division 20, City of St. Louis, Judge David Mason

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Phil Eisenhower

Public Defender - City of St. Louis (former) 1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Robbery 1st Degree for robbing a man at night. Jury found defendant not guilty.

State v. Marcus Huckleberry 37.

961-3271

July 1997

Division 19, City of St. Louis, Judge Timothy Wilson

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Talet Bashier

Public Defender-City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Robbery 1st Degree. Defendant robbed a lady at night by approaching her at a stop sign.

The jury found defendant guilty.

State v. Robert Belford (A) 38. State v. Kevin Smith (B)

961-1721 A & B

June 1997

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: (A)

Elizabeth Haines

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Eugene Mitchell (B)

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Jury Trial

Defendants were charged with two counts of Assault 1st Degree and two counts of Armed Criminal Action. Defendants were identified as the assailants who shot two people because they were walking on their turf. Jury found both defendants guilty.

39. State v. Kevin Juenger

951-2643

April 1997

Division 21, City of St. Louis, Judge Joan Burger Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel: Lois Drossman

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Count I: Assault 1st Degree and Count II: Stealing From A Person. Defendant was identified as the person who beat and stole from an elderly man with a drinking problem. Jury found defendant guilty.

40. State v. Phillips Croft (A)

State v. Joshua Maniure (B)

941-3798 A & B

November 1996

Division 18, City of St. Louis, Judge John Riley

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

(A) Lois Drossman

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

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(B) David Kenyon

Public Defender – St. Louis County 100 So. Central, Clayton, MO 63105

Jury Trial

Defendants were charged with Count I: Assault 1st Degree; Count II: Armed Criminal Action; Count III: Assault 1st Degree; Count IV: Armed Criminal Action; Count V: Assault 1st Degree; and Count VI: Armed Criminal Action. The defendants were identified by the minor children as the ones driving by and shooting at them.

The jury found defendant, Phillips Croft, guilty as charged.

The jury found defendant, Joshua Maniure, who drove the car, not guilty.

State v. Larry Holt 41.

951-3594

October 1996

Division 20, City of St. Louis, Judge David Mason

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Frank Anzalone

7912 Bonhomme, Clayton, MO 63105

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with four counts of Assault on a Law Officer 2nd Degree, four counts of Armed Criminal Action and one count of Possession of Marijuana with 35 grams. Defendant fired upon officers after they arrived to execute a search warrant.

Jury found defendant not guilty.

42. State v. Dominique White

951-3212B

August 1996

Division 11, City of St. Louis, Judge Floyd McBride

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Elizabeth Haines

Special Public Defender - City of St. Louis 1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Burglary 2nd Degree. Defendant was found inside a vacant burned home.

The jury found defendant guilty of Trespass 1st Degree.

State v. Jerome Johnson 43.

951-382

June 1996

Division 17, City of St. Louis, Judge Sherrie Sullivan

Opposing Counsel:

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Quintin Wildsmith

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1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Count I: Burglary 2nd Degree and Count II: Felony Stealing. The owner found the defendant inside a store after the alarm had

The jury found the defendant guilty of Trespass 1st Degree.

44. State v. George Hicks

941-1378

January 1996

Division 9, City of St. Louis, Judge Brendon Ryan

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Eric Selig

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1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with one count Distribution and Manufacture of a Controlled Substance. Narcotic officers saw the defendant making a drug transaction.

The jury found defendant guilty as charged.

45. State v. Steven McMeans

941-3127

August 1995

Division 22, City of St. Louis, Judge Thomas Grady

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant Opposing Counsel: Quintin Wildsmith

Public Defender – City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Tampering in the First Degree. Police officers saw the defendant driving a stolen vehicle. The officers lost sight of him when defendant ran from the vehicle after a car chase.

The jury found the defendant not guilty.

46. State v. Patricia Sutton

941-3359B

July 1995

Division 20, City of St. Louis, Judge Sherrie Sullivan

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Phil Eisenhower

Public Defender – City of St. Louis

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Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Felony Stealing. Defendant was seen trying to leave a store with items without paying for the items. The jury found defendant not guilty.

47. State v. Raymond Glass

941-2784

July 1995

Division 21, City of St. Louis, Judge Joan Burger

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Arthur Shivers

625 North Euclid, St. Louis, MO 63108

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with a felony, Attempted Stealing. Defendant was seen by a security guard breaking into vehicles parked at the Arch grounds. The jury found defendant guilty as charged.

48. State v. Micheal Herret

941-3272A

June 1995

Division 20, City of St. Louis, Judge Sherrie Sullivan

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Chris Milligan

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Count I: Attempt Burglary 2nd Degree and Count II: Possession of Burglar Tools. Defendant was seen attempting to break into a home of an old girlfriend.

The jury found defendant guilty of a lesser charge, Trespass.

49. State v. Rashid Clark

931-2283A

May 1995

Division 23, City of St. Louis, Judge Michael David

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Doris Black

720 Olive Street, St. Louis, MO 63101

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Trafficking Second Degree. Defendant was seen making a drug transaction while under surveillance by Narcotics Unit. The jury found defendant not guilty under the theory of cop credibility.

50. State v. Reginald McClendon

941-0956 April 1995

Division 20, City of St. Louis, Judge Sherrie Sullivan

Assistant Circuit Attorney: Paula P. Bryant

Opposing Counsel:

Jeffrey Tisoto

Public Defender - City of St. Louis

1320 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Jury Trial

Defendant was charged with Unlawful Use of a Weapon and Exhibiting. Defendant was seen pointing a gun at neighbors, when police arrived, defendant pointed a gun at them.

The jury found defendant not guilty.